Correspondence.

Canadian Methodism.

My DEAR MR. EDITOR,-Widely sepamany friends beloved, and by a singular, but I trust providential train of circum-

petuate my connection with you by occasi-onally, through the columns of your increas-

forest home, and without roads, without the records of crime. bridges, no home but the kind hospitality of friends, and no church but the log school-house, breaks to perishing multitudes the Bread of Life. Success, under the blessing and devoted. And when the wilderness with the onward march of civilization, open up into the flourishing township, there also "The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose.'

One feature of Canadian Methodisi forcibly arrested my attention on my arrival in this country : I allude to the great prominence which is given to the doctrine ness, or, as we sometimes say, entire sanctification. Not only is the doctrine freely and openly proclaimed from the pulpit, but witnesses to the power and efficiency of Christ's blood to cleanse from all sin are found by scores upon many Circuits. And O, what influence do these devoted servants of Christ exert in their earnest efforts to pro-mote the glory of God. Wesleyan Methodism must never forget her peculiar mission To spread scriptural holiness throughout the land." Caughey, by his ministry and writings, and that truly devoted servant of the Lord Jesus, Mrs. Palmer, by her printed much towards bringing about this blessed state of things. Mrs. Palmer is a frequent visitor to Canada during the season of Campmeetings, and the effects that result from ple child-like teachings, accompanied with earnest and believing prayer, are wonderful to behold. Truly "the secret of the Lord is with them that fear Him."

At the risk of being tedious, you will pardon me for mentioning another prominent feature of Canadian Methodism. The Quarterly Meeting is not only a business meeting where the financial concerns of the conducting it the religious element largely predominates. A sermon is preached on Saturday, after which the spiritual and financial claims of the Circuit receive due and prompt attention as with you, but the following Sabbath is the great day. The members of the Circuit hail the regularly recurring Quarterly Meeting as a great spiritual feast, and flock to the place of worship devoted to the service from all quarters many travelling miles, and the great majority making it a matter of conscience to be prayer was offered by Dr. Pierpont, and present. There is then the crowded house, the earnest practical sermon, the Minister under the blessing of God trying to do his best; and who cannot preach when a multitude of saving and believing hearts are uplifted to God for his blessing upon the Word? Afterwards, with a few intermission, comes that peculiarity of Methodism—the Love-feast,—the people imitating the conduct of God's people of old, When they that feared the Lord spake often one to another." And the whole is closed by commemorating the dying of the Lord Jesus in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Could some of my dear friends Breton, be present in a Canadian Quarterly Meeting, they would, like the Psalmis shout aloud for joy. The season for Camp Meetings is now some weeks past, and Protracted Meetings and Missionary Meetings have been commenced with earnestness and hallowed zeal: and already in connection with the former has the power of God been marvellously displayed in the conversion of sinners. A letter from Mrs. Palmer, in the last number of the Guardian, states that in the City of Hamilton during a few weeks upwards of 200 individuals have professed the blessing of entire sanctification, and 500 justification. All praise and glory to our conquering Emmanuel!

I write this in the snug farm house one of our kindest hearted people, during the interim of a series of special services where the power of God has been signally present, and eight miles distant from Norval, my village home, and must reserve further remarks for a future letter.

Yours, most sincerely J. HERBERT STARR. Norval, C. W., Dec. 7th.

New England Correspondence. THE "TIMES."

Financially, the "times" are evidently improving. Business is starting up, and the prospect is, that most of the classes will soon find employment. This is truly encouraging. Wages, for the present, will be low, and will hardly afford many of our laborers a competent support. deficiency will be made up, in part at least, by charity. It is generally believed that by Spring business will be brisk, and labor command a fair remuneration.

Morally, we doubt whether the "times" are improving at all. It may be said truly, that we have fallen on "strange times." Crime is rampant, and walks abroad at noonday. Never in the history of our country has all kinds of wickedness been so bold and same sort took place on Saturday evening. unblushing- Murders, thefts, robberies, are Now the theatrical feature of the Sabbath of every day occurrence. days the community have been shocked There was a greater display of dresses and with instances of daring crime. A Mr. Tuckerman, who some time since cheated the Eastern Railroad Company out of severai thousand dollars, was arrested on Tuesday for robbing the U. S. Mail on the train last. During this time, several mails have entertain

erman. We understand that the evidence against him is most convincing. Mr. Tuckerman, until his fraudulent transactions with the Eastern R. R. Co., was moving in the beautiful and splendid dress!" &c. Another the convincing in the convincing to t first society, and was regarded as an honorable man. He probably commenced his soberies by taking a little. One act led to another, till finally he was found robbing the U. S. Mail. His family connections and friends, by his daring course of wickedness, are thrown into deep sorrow.

An instance of juvenile depravity has

Martha Ann McIntire, of Tamstances, no longer a member of your E. B.

A. Conference, I must prove recreant to the purest and best feelings of my heart did I not often, very often, think of the past, and earnestly pray that your future may be posed, she conceived the horrible idea of making away with Mrs. Whiting's child and substituting her own. The facts, as

ingly interesting periodical, sending tidings Mrs. Whitney laid down with her child (10 friends were looking to this matter. The from the "far West?" Were I adequate days old,) on a bed in the sitting room about evil is evidently a growing one, and the noon. After sleeping two hours, on awakfice of Canadian Correspondent; but a few passing thoughts from Brother Starr will, I know, without egotism, interest some of if for the purpose of going to bed. Mrs. W. now discovered the absence of her own your readers.

Without disparaging in the least the earinfant, which was soon found in a brook nest and vital character of the Methodism of near by, with a heavy stick of wood placed your Conference, you will permit me to say across its neck. The girl says, she took the that Canadian Methodism is of the right infant from the bed, strangled it to prevent infant from the bed, strangled it to prevent stamp. I cannot now trust myself to give its crying, placed it in the brook, and after-statistics, but through all the Western country Wesleyan Methodism is exerting an overwhelming influence for good. The Missionary follows the new settler to his juvenile depravity has rarely a parallel in things with pain. May they arouse us

greater diligence in suppr ful acts of wickedness! WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

Mr. French, the agent of the Wilberforce University has been in Boston, attending to the pecuniary interests of this Institution, and we are happy to say that his efforts in its behalf have been successful. One gentleman in Boston, who is a member of the Methodist Church, has recently given property to the institution valued at about seven ousand dollars. This institution is located in Xenia, Ohio, and though as yet in its infancy, is in a flourishing condition. Its object is to provide for the education of the colored youth of our country. It is designed to make it in time a University proper, so that it can furnish the colored youth with all the facilities of a thorough University education. The Institution has many warm friends, and they are rallying nobly to its support.

The pulpit of the South Church of Salen

Mass., last Sabbath, was occupied, and the entire services of the day were jointly conducted by two venerable brothers, Reuben Emerson of South Reading, and Brown Emerson, D. D., of Salem, the former being in his eighty-seventh year, and the latter in his eightieth. The discourses, both forenoon and afternoon, were preached by the elder. The twain have been settled fifty-three years, the aggregate o being one hundred and sixty-six, of their permanent pastorates one hundred and seven ears. If there are "sermons in stones how much more affecting and inspiring the lesson of such a patriarchal spectacle! would be difficult to find a parallel to this remarkable case. The two aged brothers are eminent for their piety and talents .-They have sustained the most friendly relaions to the Methodists for many years.

This distinguished advocate of Temper ance, and author of the Maine Law, has ust returned from a European tour, and was welcomed home by an enthusiastic meeting at the Revere House on Wednes R. C. Pitman, Eq, made the reception Address; Rev. C. L. McCurdy welcomed him in behalf of the Sons of Temperance. and Mr. Dow replied with great appropriateness. The meeting passed off the satisfaction of all concerned.

A NEW BETHEL SHIP.

A movement is now in progress amount the Baptists in Boston for the formation of "Mariners' Bathel Mission Ship Company," and the building of a first-class ship be called the Adoniram Judson, raising the funds by issuing certificates of stock, as in the case of the Morning Star, built by the Congregationalists here some time since. It is intended to put the ship into a profits come to Missionary objects, the other half is to yield a dividend among those who take stock to the amount of fifty dollars or more The ship will be officered and sailed men of known ability and piety, and will a "floating bethel" whether in port or on her voyages. We wish much success to our Baptist friends in this noble enterprise.

SABBATH SCHOOL CONCERTS. The Puritan Recorder, edited by Parons Cook, who is well known for his opposition to the Methodists, accuses us of discourses thus:

dulging in theatrical performances. He "They are brought in under the name of Sabbath School Concerts. The dramatic eature in these concerts had only a gradual development, that the public might be better prepared to receive it. Early in the the village hair-dresser was put in requisition. When the evening came, the house was crowded with an anxious and expectant assembly. The performers stood ready, credit to the hair-dresser's taste and dili The gence in their adornment. The exercises of the evening (this being the first performof singing and speaking. The pieces spoken and sung, however, were mostly of a secular character, and the whole performance much resembled an exhibition of a Gram-

mar school. " A month later, the next meeting of the Within a few School Concert came more clearly out .scenic accompaniments than before. A seed: It shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt aspects. I platform, or stage, was built in front and bruise his heel: words which require no first place. around the pulpit, and around its margin footlights were set to give the spectators a fair view of all the impersonations from Boston to New York. It seems that them. The display was said to be equal to he has carried on this business since August any thing of the kind, given at any place of

whose adspices the scene was got up, told the audience that they must not clap afte the sacred pieces. Another performance come to light which has astonished the peo-ple. A girl, only fourteen years old, by the stage, dressed in state, to represent one in search of happiness; to whom others came worth, New Hampshire, has been found guilty of a double murder, that of a child of Jer. H. Whiting, of Tamworth, and also ness she sought. A great stout boy brought causing the death, by abortion, of her own her a head of plaister of Paris, representing the art of Sculpture, and asked her if that were not her case! This evening, entrance fees were paid, as at the theatre, and all th

actors were dressed particularly for their performances." Now, we are inclined to think that the above is an exaggeration, and still, we be gathered from the girl's admissions, and lieve, there is some foundation for the re-from the testimony of others, are as follows: marks. It is high time our Methodist sooner checked the better. We have no sympathy with anything that looks like heatrical performances on Sabbath evening be the name what it may.

Obituary Notice.

ugsley of Maccan. She experienced religion at an early n

iod of life-between the age of nine and ten years. Her mind was directed to this mportant subject in the first instance by a pious old gentleman of the name of Pipes who went from house to house, talking and praying with different families concerning the welfare of their souls. He gave her a chapter in the Bible to read, and immediate after sister Pugsley was made very happy God. She often said she could not describ the happiness she then felt, it seemed to he as though she saw heaven opened and she could go immediately to it. When the Pre-sident of our Conference and the late Rev. Alpert Desbrisay laboured on that Circuit in the earlier years of their valuable ministry, she acknowledged herself to be greatly indebted or their ministration of the word of life to her, and their pastoral visits. Other minis ters of our body who visited the family, fre-quently invited her to join the church, but she never took that decisive step until the revival at Nappan, thirteen years since, under the ministry of the late Rev. William Webb. During that blessed season of grace she was made very happy in common with member of the Methodist Church. Our de arted sister was much blessed in receiving nany pastoral visits from the Rev. Wm nbe, when he labored on the circuit

hen he was removed. Sister Pugsley was deeply afflicted by paralytic stroke some time since, by which e power of speech was taken from her and mental faculties were much impaired .-After the had recovered in some measure she was going to die, but yet the prospect of death was pleasing. Her continual prayer was, while she could articulate, " Lord Jesus have mercy on my soul and prepare me for

-she missed him very much in this respect

Her Bible and Hymn Book were her vears-she committed to memory large portions of the New Testament-was very fond of religious Biography, such works as " Hester Ann Rogers," and others. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, they rest from their labours and their works follow them."

Her funeral sermon was appan last Sabbath, from Psalm xxxii. 1.

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ommunications designed for this paper must be accompanied by the name of the writer in confidence. We do not undertake to return rejected articles. We do not assume responsibility for the opinions of con

ADVERTING to the date of our present ue-the eve of another CHRISTMAS anni versary—we feel that we should be justly liable to the imputation of Editorial inatten ion, if not to the graver charge of spiritual apathy, did we fail to offer to our readers ome topics of meditation appropriate to the occasion. For, assuredly, among the prominent and permanent notations of the Calendar, there is no epoch more memorable, none suggestive of more happy and so impressively reminded, at once, of the consultations between influential individuals flight and the fulness of time? The incarnation of the Son of God is the central fact mercy and the mystery that characterise the ginning to assume something like definite moral administration under which we are placed by Redemption. God with the placed by Redemption. placed by Redemption. God with us, explains all, harmonizes all. The gloom of ment and Government. Previous discusautumn, and after a long training in prepar- despair, more terrible and tangible, by far, sions and controversies in the periodical ing the little theatrical corps, it was an- than the primeval darkness that brooded nounced that there was to be a "Sabbath o'er the face of the great deep, had envel-School Celebration" at the Methodist Church on a certain hour on Sabbath evening. The oped the earth; but the Sun of Righteous girls, who were to have a prominent part in ness, heralded by the radiant star of prothe performances of the evening, spent most phecy, rose upon the scene; and the diseased of the afternoon of the day in making their and desolated heart of humanity instantly toilet, for which also the labor and skill of felt that there was healing in His wings. Hope relumed her extinguished taper at the altar of Him, who, as he issued from the bosom of the Father, exclaimed, Lo, I come ! well drilled in their several parts, and doing and all who waited for consolation in Israel, responded exultingly, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save be gradually introduced) consisted chiefly

We have waited for bination for the preaching of the Gospel but the fact will be received with something

> How refreshing to the heart of fallen man, throbbing with the agony of conscious guilt, and the apprehension of eternal wrath, must have been the words addressed in his public mind, and which is likely to carry presence to the malevolent agent of his every man with a Christian heart in out.—
> s and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed: It shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt aspects. The intention, he said, was, in the ruin. "I will put enmity between thee and elaborate criticism to elucidate their general import, obviously suggesting, as they do, the destined triumph by arms descendant of the destined triumph by some descendant of the of sending forth teachers in the great cities woman, over the fell adversary of our peace. of Hindostan—schools which would teach

larly memorable, God made that magnificent promise, "In thy seed shall all the is out of the question that any of the schools families of the earth be blessed." From a which exist should be removed or interfered was thus transferred to the immediate propromise was to receive its accomplishment.

tory, we stand at length beside the couch of expiring Jacob. The shadows of death are rapidly gathering around him, and withdrawing from his view all earthly objects; but the eye of his mind, unsealed by the inspiration of the Almighty, looks through the vista of coming ages, sees the day of Christ, and gives utterance to the joy that strengthens his failing flesh and heart, in the illustrious prophecy, "The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until SHILOH come; and unto Him shall the gathering of the people be." No single oracle of prophetic inspiration has elicited so much exegetical labor as this; and it is a worthy object of the most painstaking research to place the full import of an announcement so singular and momentous, in the clearest possible light. Here, however, as in the cases previously adduced, the pious though unlettered student of the Bible anticipates without difficulty the most valuable results to which a critical investi-Miss Mary Pugsley, who departed this gation can conduct. He clearly apprehends life on Tuesday, 1st Dec., was the fourth daughter of the late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late David and Elizabeth Hebrer nation to Theorem Total Control of the Late Control of the L Hebrew nation, to whatever revolutions it might be subjected, should not cease to be a distinct common wealth, under the ascendant influence of the tribe of Judah, until the advent of the Messiah, whose potent and peaceful dominion should ultimately embrace the whole earth. Many centuries have measured out their

> course, since, in accordance with those early disclosures, unto us was born a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And in respect, also, to the assurances they afford of the unlimited range of his saving sovereignty, the anticipations of prophecy are manifestly, one after another, being fast realized by the to all whose minds are not utterly blinded by infidelity or perverted by sin. Political despotism can ill dissemble the dismay with which it contemplates the changes that are menacing, in no subdued tones, its speedy and final overthrow. Paganism exhibits. in all the regions yet cursed by its malignant influence, the paralysis of senility. premonishing its not distant dissolution. In the Ottoman empire, and more recently in the ancient capital of the Great Mogul, Islamism, smitten as if by a bolt from heaven, reels to its fall. Popery, incomparably the most sagacious, colossal, and unchangable enemy of Gospel truth, is putting forth convulsive energy in every Protestant country, to protract the days of her doomed dynasty; compelled, meanwhile, practically to confess to the world that she has no confidence in the allegiance of her own children at home; soliciting and receiving foreign protection finding in earthly alliances and concordats surer guaranties of safety, than in the impotent array of her ghostly terrors. Auspicious and animating omens are these, in the blended light of which we see the day approaching,-that day, when He who once came in the form of a servant, will come again in all the majesty of the Prince of Peace-that day, when to Him whose right it is, shall be given the throne of moral dominion under the whole heaven. O come -we would devoutly pray in the words of the unrivalled poet of Methodism-

"O come, thou radiant Morning Star,
Again in human darkness shine!
Arise resplendent from afar! Arise respiendent from a ari:
Assert thy royalty divine!
Thy sway o'er all the earth maintain,
And now begin thy glorious reign."

The Religious Societies and India.

Until the last few days the Christian ser timent of the British Churches had found no collective expression in reference to the condition of India, except in the national acts of humiliation and contribution to the Fund for the relief of our own countrymen who have suffered by the Rebellion. Several Societies have, it is true, placed their proposals before their supporters, but have had nallowed associations, than the one which regard in these appeals only or chiefly to TOMORROW'S dawn will vividly recall. At their own evangelistic operations. At the what other point in the circling year are we same time there have, of course, been many and committees or directors of Societies specially interested in the promotion of religion and civilization in India. The results of History, the grand solution of all the of these intercommunications are now be-

press have ventilated the subject and exhibited it in almost every light to the public, which is now prepared to enter upon practical measures with a more general intelli-gence and a more serious aim than could have been expected a few months ago, when the administration and advancement of India were to the many but remote, obscure, and uninviting topics. We learn from Sir Culling Eardley speech on Thursday, at the meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, that the Missionary

Societies have taken counsel together on the duty which we owe at this time to our Eastern fellow-subjects. They are not, it appears, prepared to recommend as yet a com of surprise as well as pleasure and hope that they are " perfectly unanimous as to the practicability and the duty of forming combined system of Education for Indi which will respond to the demand of the breast along with it." The details of this

More lucid and circumstantial was the the truth of God in the vernacular language for the people a cheap

been lost, and it was a great mystery what had become of them. No clase to the matter was obtained till the arrest of Mr. Tuck-silk, with an over-tunic of white muslin, at a crisis in his arrest of Mr. Tuck-silk, with an over-tunic of white muslin, sustentation of their schools. Of course it descendant of the first human pair, attention with ; but it was thought highly desirable to genitor of the personage in whom the primal ed. A third object, and this also was one which those who were connected with India Descending the stream of patriarchal his- would tell them was feasible, was the subsidising a large number of the native village schools which were scattered througout India. A fourth object was the printing of Christian school-books on a very large scale. The experiment has been very extensively ried in the kingdom of Musore where M Arthur was for some time stationed. A part of India, and it was thought that it

might be extended to the distribution of the Holy Scriptures.'

We must for the present leave this sketch before our readers. It is attributed to Mr. Venn, Secretary of the Church Missionary Society, and one of the Resolutions in favor of it was supported at the Evangelical Alstill under the consideration of the mittees and Directors of the several Missionary Societies, and we trust that some practical measure will arise out of it in which the Protestant Churches both of for the education and Christianisation of the 180 millions of India

Social Science Association.

(Correspondence of Western Christian Advocate A new organization has just been inaugurated Birmingham, under the fostering influence of Lords Brougham, Russell, and Stanley, Sir l Brodie, Sir J. Pakington, and Recorder Hill .-The object of this Association is to aid the devel opment of the social sciences, and to guide the public mind to the best practical means of pronoting the amendment of the laws, the advance ment of education, the prevention and repression of crime, the establishment of due sanitary regu-lations, and the recognition of sound principles in all questions of social economy.

The proposed mode of action is to bring toge ther, once in every year, the various societies and individuals who are engaged in furthering the above objects, and, without trenching on their independent exertions, to elicit, by discus-

The Association is divided, primarily, into five gow Commonwealth. sections or departments. The first is that of Juudence and Amendment of Law, of which Lord John Russell is Chairman; the second is that of Education, presided over by Sir J. Pakington; the third is that of Punishment and Reormation-chairman Recorder Hill; the fourth is that of Public Health-chairman, Sir B. Brodie; and the last is that of Social Economychairman, Lord Stanley.

It is evident that the country can not have to much imformation on these subjects; and though many cases may occur where a difference of ppinion may be expected to prevail, even for years after the information has been obtained, we may rest assured, from the history of the past, that the growth of inquiry will be only the reliminary to the growth of knowledge, and the growth of knowledge only preliminary to the growth of amendment.

Whatever may be the future fate of the " National Association for the Promotion of Social Science," it is at least, satisfactory to know that its first and inauguration meetings have been at given in our next.—Sun of Friday. sociation is new, but not the subjects which i proposes to treat; and altogether the gathering at Birmingham has been signally successful.

This success must be attributed not merely to the number who attended, the reputation of the notabilities, or the fact that some of these notabilities are among our most distinguished politicians, statesmen, and legislators; but to the manly, straightforward, and well-informed, manner in which the various subjects were discussed. Instead of awkwardness, reserve. or the usual inquiry, " Now that we have met, what are we to do?" there has been the most business-like preparation of the proceedings beforehand and the most precise disdission of the various points that have been turn ed up for investigation.

There has been, indeed, no reserve. Lord John Russell has gone so far as to lend a ice on one of the ponds in Dartmouth. As a sanction to free-trade in land, an innovation which would effectually break up the aristocratic influence of the order to which a lord is supposed to belong-when Lord Stanley sits quietly New Brunswick. in the chair of his section, while Dr. Begg, of Edinburgh, denounces the abomination of the bothy " system, and tells his Lordship that the andlords drain the rents, and do nothing for the dwellings of the laborers who create the wealth; when intelligent manufacturers come boldly forward, armed with the most conclusive statistics. and prove that the whole system of the English bankruptcy law is only a heap of legal rubbish, and when other questions that require to be discussed are discussed in a similar manner and without reserve—all this deserves record and

The Daily Times sneeringly asks, " Why form an association of such vast pretensions?" declaring that there are already associations enough or all the objects contemplated by this all embracing one. But the great step in advance is, to have the friends of progress in all these deo secure the same advantages for social science as have accrued to natural science from the neetings of the British Association.

Just as the greater number of the sciences have a mutually helpful connection, so every one that is greedy of gain; the several branches of social science have a away the life of the owners thereo the several branches of social science have a common connection, which enables those who well versed in any of them to receive or impart information useful to those who have devoted their chief attention to another branch. The Association, therefore, has naturally followed the arrangement adopted by its predecessor which has now, for five and twenty years, successfully watched over the promotion of physical

There were many points of interest in the touching in the sight of such a veteran as Lord Brougham, ably seconded by Lord John one now seventy-nine, the other sixty five he was stationed in the woods in the neig only look back some thirty years, their achievements in education, and n. and in creating

The successful installation of this Association DELIVERER. To the faithful, at a crisis in his eventful history particularly memorable, God made that maguifibrings together the wise men of the land to disdomain of politics.

of God made apparent in the conditions of the human family. Science once discovered and made known, overwings and overflies all such hand, which is only truth acquired and ordainbut which, when found and opened, flows ever after for the welfare of the mortal.

Fully aware that it is to religion rather than to secular effort or legislative enactment, that we must look for the complete extirpation of great social evils, and the full development of the highest forms of even secular life, we yet gladly hail the gathering of distinguished men for objects like those of the new Association, Great Britain and America may be united although revealed truth be not the source of attraction or the bond of membership. Would that all the legislators, magistrates, philanthro-pists, and savans, who have embarked in this new enterprise were united in a clear apprehension of, and a cordial assent to, the great spiritual principles embodied in the New Tes-

Unfortunately upon those principles it is no breach of charity to suppose that some are la-mentably ignorant. Lord Brougham's address, as rector of Glasgow University, twenty years ago, in which he declared the irresponsibility man for his belief, is not yet forgotten; nor vet the late Dr. Wardlaw's triumphant refutaisn of the dangerous sentiment. Miss Carmenter, a Socinian, also read a paper at the conference; as also did Robert Owen, the Socialist; and George Dawson, of the Church

aith, and we do not see how there can be, with all the latitude allowed, even an indirect assault ipon Christianity. The Scottish contingent lone would be more than sufficient to protect its interests; such as Dr. James Begg, Free Church minister of Edinburgh; Protessor Mil-ler, an elder in the Scottish Free Church; delineations of history. The sceptre of the minimum of the Christian Faith," and editor of the Glassian Faith," and editor of the Glassian Faith," and editor of the Glassian Faith, and editor of the Glass

General Intelligence.

Colonial.

THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE BAZAAR COMmenced at 12 o'clock yesterday. Weather very favourable. The hall, with its flags and tables, and lady attendants and visitors, made a fine display. The band of the 62nd regt. enlivened the occasion. There was an extensive array of fancy and useful articles—many of them evincing much ingenuity and industry. The rural districts, we are sorry to have to say, did not come up to expectation. Out of Halifax, Ches-ter was letter A, number 1. Honour to the zealter was letter A, number I. Honour to the zeal-ous friends of the cause in that picturesque lo-cality. The places deficient may yet make amends for forgetfuiness and delay, by forward-ing money offering. A purse from each place, not well represented on Thursday, would be a graceful after thought. We shall be pleased to record some dozen of such subscriptions. The amount realized, and other particulars, will be

SIR GASPARD LEMARCHANT .- We undertand that His Excellency Sir Gaspard LeMarchant has received the appointment of Govern-or of Malta, and that he will be succeeded in grave, of the Marquis of Normanby. Sir Gas- minded, and perfectly free from all petty jealous will, it is said, remain in this Province until after the arrival of his successor, who is to leave England by the first steamer in February.—Chroni-

THE TIGHTNESS of the money market operates severely on the poor fishermen who can-not sell, except at a sacrifice, their Summer's arnings. Westward which brought up fish have taken them home again. It is to be feared that much pinching distress among the hardy fishermen all along our shores, will be felt this winter.—

Loss of Life.—We regret to see that a poo boy named Thomas Millar, aged twelve years, lost his life the other day, by falling through the contemporary observes too much caution canno e used by skaters in an open season like this .-

The Church Witness of the 16th inst. says :-The wretched criminal, Patrick Slavin, suffered the extreme penalty of the law on Friday last, on a gallows erected over the front entrance to the gaol. The Sheriff conducted the proceed ings in person, in a highly creditable man There was an immense concourse of people present on the occasion, who, it is said, appeared much impressed with the dreadful scene. trust the dreadful fate of this thoroughly hardened criminal may act as a warning to all who may sand years ago :--

" My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. If they say, come with us, let us wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without grave: and whole, as those who go down into the pit; We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil: Cast in thy lot among us; let us all bave partments of social life brought into contact, and | walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path; For their feet run to evil and make haste to shed blood: (Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird):
And they lay wait for their own bloods they lurk privily for their own lives. So are the ways of

It is our painful duty, (says the Church Wit-

ness.) to record another dreadful scene in the Mispeck tragedy. On Sunday last the body of a man named Henry Stewart was discovered in the vicinity of Little River bridge. It was brought to the city early on Monday morning, and a Coroner's inquest immediately summoned. It was conjectured at once that the deceased had been murdered, as the head was completely severed from the body, although others thought that from the length of time it had been exposed-upwards of six weeks-this would naturall There were many points of interest in the happen. The mystery, however, was speedily speeches, discussions, and papers, which busily solved. Young Slavin who is now in confine occupied five long days. There was something ment for life in the Provincial Penitentiary, on made a full confession yesterday of the circum stances connected with the death of the unfor Ruscell, standing in a meeting like this, shoulder to shoulder, in the cause which to both has been a life-long one. Few are those among living men who recollect the time when the two lords years of age—began their battle for popular bood. He was subsequently employed to carry education and other social reforms, as well as for a tin box, supposed to contain money and valuables; but Breen and Slaven became fearful of popular liberty. Long did a few isolated and despised individuals urge on their work by the press and the house of commons; vast, of later years, has been their success in political and legal reform, and especially in commercial, or rather fiscal, law reform; marvellous, too, if we only look hack some thirty years, have been Slavin's story; but we subjoin from the Morning

John Quinton (Keeper of the Penitentiary) unquestionably the inauguration of that wise republicanism, which, even under a monarchy, being together the wise man of the lead to dis.

This man had seemingly met by appointment of Breen, who gave a cough, cuss the welfare of the whole community—the

Breen and this man had conversation, and told

object being truth, and not merely the enact
Breen he had not disappointed him, according ment of laws. It is the old system of British
public meeting implanted into the region of science, and the method of science carried into the
M'Kenzie's iron safe. The man took the box and after some words carried it in direction to It must be for the real good of the race to wards town, while Breen and the Slavins went investigate social truth, the laws and institutes towards Slavin's house. Slavin questioned of Cod mode apparent in the conditions of the Breen about this man. Breen said be was all right; was well acquainted with him. Gave t description of the man as being dark complexionmade known, overwings and overflies all such events as battles, sieges, and hostile encounters. These latter have a large admixture of woe, some questions old Slavin had put to him on his school-books had been established in that and then pass away. Science, on the other return from town on Sunday. Said the box had been left at one Ramsay's by this man, to be ed, lives on immortality, being of the nature of the divine. It lives forever, and with ever-in-

creasing life. It is a fountain having its wellspring in the hidden secrecy of God's universe,
to give his testimony before the Jury this morning; but it is doubtful whether he is aware of the

TOROFTO, DEC. 5,-The General Election is

the absorbing topic of interest, and Toronto is

n a state of unwented excitement in the matter.

in consequence of a requisition being got up, with over a thousand signatures, to Mr. George Brown. Mr. Hillyard Cameron retires for the

present, in consequence of the derangement of his private affairs; and, there are now before the electors Mr. Bowes, the old member, who has drawn upon himself a good deal of odium, from his subserviency to Roman Catholic interests—especially in the Separate School question—and Mr. W. H. Boulton, a noted character in the Toronto of former days, member of the city for many years, and a highly popular and able man. He has been away from Toronto for a considerwhen his friends, chiefly of the Orange party, got up a kind of public demonstration for He professes to be a warm advocate of our Com-mon School system—and is in favor of re-presentation by population—will advocate eco-nomy, retrenchment, &c.—but beyond these his address has no points worthy of notice. His election is considered certain, as he will be supported by the whole strength of the Orange party, who are both numerous and powerful here. Mr. Brown has consented to stand, and the contest will be between him and M and a desperate struggle it will be. Mr. Brown and a desperate struggle it will be. Mr. Brown will have the support of nearly the whole mercantile and business class, and curious to say, of an important section of the Orangemen, with whom in former years he had many a bitter contest. Many of the more intelligent of this important body have long been annoyed by the time-serving and truckling policy of their leaders in matters relating to the policy of Romanism; they could not but look upon Orangeism as an imposition, if it did not involve a settled and consistent opposition to Ponery, both politically consistent opposition to Popery, both politically and religiously. There has been growing up, therefore, a gradual severance between the leaders—or, say such men as Mr. Ogle Gowan -who appear but to use Orangeism as a means of forwarding personal interests, and those down right open, and straightforward Orangemen, who wish for nothing but to attain the legitimate end of the institution, viz., to check the political of the institution, viz., to check the political power of the Popish party, and give equal privileges to every denomination. This severance will be manifest in a very remarkable degree will be manifest in a very remarkable degree during the Toronto election; for while some of the office-bearers will support Mr. Brown, as a thorough Protestant, the Grand Master and

no stone unturned to prevent his Montreal Witness. REVIVAL SERVICES - The Wesleyan Churches in this city, have been engaged for several weeks, in revival efforts. The meetings have been characterized by much interest and very

CHERVILLE.—It is with sincere regret that we announce the decease, at his residence in Bouwe understand, in his seventy second year.— With but a few surviving exceptions, he wa among the last specimens of the old school of the educated and polished gentilhomme Francais.—
Mr. de Boucherville was well informed, liberaland to inculcate the patriotic sentiments of our unity as Canadians, which he justly maintained was, in no respect, incompatible tions either of origin, o r of religion. His de cease is a severe blow, not to his and in an especial degree to the Legislative Chamber, of which he has so long been an active nd independent member .- Montreal Herald

United States.

The following summary we copy from the Morning Chronicle: -The R. M. Steamship Niagara arrived at this port on Friday last at 1 10 A. M. She brought Boston papers to 16th inst. The principal and most gratifying intelligence is that Banks in all directions are resuming specie payments. Large quantities of gold continued to arrive from California. The news from that quarter is not important.

The President has issued his annual Message.

It is as usual a lengthy document, strangely cor and French speeches. The subject of Banking is first discussed, in which the financial condition of the country is ably handled. The old Central American question is once more taken the existing amicable relations with France. States and Russ a appear to be on the most friendly terms; also with every European government, except that of Spain. The Message regrets the present tone and temper of Spain towards the U. States. The present U. S. Envoy to Spain is, at his own request, to be superseded at that Court. The new treaties with Turkey and Persia are adverted to. The peculiar re-lations of the U. States with China are briefly mentioned. Sympathy is expressed towards all the Republics on this continent. The difficulties with New Granada are in a fair way of being adjusted. The Isthmus of Central America, as a highway between the two great oceans, is to be kept open to all nations and at all hazards. The land and naval forces of the U. States are to be recommended to Congress for the purpose of enforcing existing treaties, as regards ion, &c. Paraguay has refused to ratify the treaty of 1853 with the U. States. The Kansas question occupies a considerable portion of the Message. Utah Territory and Brigham Young have come in for a share of the President's no tice. The censideration of the Pacific Railroad is recommended in a friendly manner. The financial affairs of the country during the pass year are reported satisfactory. In our next we will probably furnish our readers with those interesting statistics.

Walker, who it would be remembered took his departure from Mobile Bay on the 18th ult. in the steamship Fashion, landed at Punta Arenas, Nicaragua, on the 25th with 150 men. No the slightest attempt was made to prevent the landing, and in fact the purpose of the expedi-

tion appeared to have not been even guessed.

The U. S. stoop of war Saratoga was lying in
the harbour, and the Fashion passed under her The whole party was landed on Scott's wharf. Walker had it seems sent 50 men up the river Punta Arenas. After landing the expedition she was taking in coal.

Commodore Paulding of the U. S. fricate Wabash attempted to seize her at Aspinwall. but on examination of her papers found them correct, and consequently would take no further steps

The British and American naval forces hal sailed from Aspniwall for San Juan, and would very probably take part in the scenes in that

It was suppo Costa Rica and accounts, wor tile measures The news braces no po lie were much worthiness of

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The British Queen in per The suspensi Furopean Ti-feature of the enough, an all the Queen bo cannot fail to The greater as might have

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> Some progres France.

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Paris, and the in and splendid stre Spain. A despatch has informing us that on the 28th, wa Prince. The Q Prince will, of of the Asturias,

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The birth of a nity to Queen Isa only knows how back some part of which she had we their remaining le ty. Much depen success is faint in tional party as ha towards the perso find a motive for throne rone and saving occupants have so

The Bombay Ti following summary The force at L left Cawnpore, to selves at the capita cued and brought dency, have been wi hout material l ber. They were about the 24th, by Regiments, and abt Col. Greathed's co victory from Delhi of some 7000.

There has been around Cawnpor brilliant victory of were slain, at A He is now pursuin Havelock. The ed at Dhar, bave Brigadier Stuart.

A large mass of Neemuch, the colu on the 24th Octob but managed to close by, from wi present to expel 2nd Cavalry, and 83rd, were killed officers wounded The troops are daily from Englan

present month we soldiers, more than fore, in Handostan. being put down done its worst, the still flying to arms. The Bengal 32n remaining faitible 9th of October, n Mr. Ronald, a civi On the 15th Kotah Contingent murdered the pol and his two sons, dents at the place. detected among the dabad, 18 of whom

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sing accounts wh sused them to re ly they agreed ent could be co